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For: THERMALLY ENERGY EFFICIENT)
VEHICLE)

AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute amended claims 1, 11, and 18 as follows for the pending claims with the same number:

1. (TWICE AMENDED) A thermally energy efficient vehicle comprising:
a vehicle structure, wherein said vehicle structure includes generally interconnected structural members that form a frame for the vehicle and generally planar interconnected panels that define a shape of the vehicle, wherein a thermally efficient structural material is utilized for said structural members to reduce a thermal mass of said structural members;

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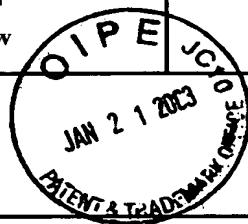
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